

*"Coordination of Indiana GIS through dissemination of data and data products, education and outreach, adoption of standards, and building partnerships."*

# INDIANA GIS INITIATIVE

## Open Public Meeting Announcement

You are invited to attend the joint Indiana GIS Initiative and Indiana Geographic Information Council meeting **Thursday December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003 10am – 3pm** (with lunch break).

The meeting will be held at the **Carmel City Hall Building, Council Chambers** located north of Indianapolis, at One Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032 (just off of Rangeline Road). Our host is Terry Krueskamp, City of Carmel.

## Agenda

- Conference committee report
  - Over 70 abstracts were received for the 2004 Annual GIS Conference (66 will be presented)
  - Register now! Conference pre-registration ends January 23, 2004
  - IGIC Board Members will sign up to moderate sessions
- Legislative proposal – legislation for GIS is being proposed for the 2004 session. There are two recommendations under consideration, and we will discuss the merits of each and seek to come to consensus on a unified recommendation.
  - The IGIC board is recommending the recognition of the Indiana Geographic Information Council, Inc. as the statewide planning, policy, and standards body, and establishes (and funds) a Geographic Information Office that will provide staff support to the council.
  - The Polis Center at IUPUI is recommending the establishment of a Geographic Information Council (which would be a modified entity from the existing council), and funds the Polis Center to provide staff support to the council.
- 2003 DOQQ status, access, and IGIC plans for future accessibility
- Call for nominations for IGIC Board Members
- Other business

## The 2003 Statewide Orthos First-Release is Now Available



The Indiana Geographic Information Council, State Agency GIS Task Force and Indiana Higher Education Telecommunication System are pleased to announce the availability of the United States Department of Agriculture's 2003 aerial photography for Indiana. The 2003 Color Orthophotography is being made available in 2 releases. The first, with 89 counties available now, is county mosaics compressed with Mr. Sid software. The second release will contain the uncompressed photos tiled by USGD quarter quad. We anticipate those will be made available to us from USDA early in 2004.

The current release is available through anonymous (user and password = anonymous) ftp download from Indiana Higher Education Telecommunications System at <ftp://itoc.in-span.net>.

Plans are underway working with partnering organizations to make the first and second release available free to the public via web map services and image download services.

## IGIC Signs MOU with USGS to Cooperate on The National Map

At the November 2003 IGIC Board Meeting, IGIC approved signing a Memorandum of Understanding between the US Geological Survey and IGIC for coordination and cooperation pertaining to the IndianaMap and [The National Map](#). The MOU establishes a framework for coordination and cooperation that will facilitate the conduct of cooperative activities in areas of mutual interest in support of the IndianaMap and The National Map.

## Call for Nominations



IGIC will issue a Call for Nominations for the Board of Directors on December 18<sup>th</sup> for the following seats that will be vacated during the regular board member rotation at the

February Annual Business Meeting:

- One (1) municipality
- One (1) commercial GIS service provider
- One (1) regional GIS consortia
- One (1) university
- Two (2) private industry
- One (1) other (any sector)
- One (1) critical infrastructure

Nominations will be accepted through mid-January. If you, or someone you know, are interested in serving in one of the above sector seats, see the [IGIC web page](#) (on or after December 18<sup>th</sup>) for details, or contact Jerry King ([jerry.king@aes.com](mailto:jerry.king@aes.com)) (317) 261-5914) for more information.

## 2004 Indiana GIS Conference



The 2004 Indiana GIS Conference is scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. More information, including a Preliminary Agenda, Exhibitor information, Call for Award Nominations, and registration information is available at [www.in.gov/ingisi](http://www.in.gov/ingisi).

## Model Data Distribution Policy

A Model Data Distribution Policy was recently published by the Open Data Consortium. Using this model policy and examples of data distribution policies in Indiana, [the Data Sharing Committee](#) will consider developing guidance for data Distribution policies at upcoming 2003-04 committee meetings.

## Indiana Team Awarded an FGDC CAP Grant

The Indiana team, consisting of the Indiana Geological Survey (lead), Innovative Mapping, Hamilton County, and proposal "[Clearinghouse Integration with OpenGIS Services](#)" was awarded an [Federal Geographic Data Committee CAP Grant](#), advancing the [IndianaMap](#).



INGISI welcomes your feedback. To submit an article, information or event to the INGISI Newsletter or E-calendar, contact Jill Saligoe-Simmel [jsaligoe@iupui.edu](mailto:jsaligoe@iupui.edu) 317.233.6009



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